REMARKS

Claims 34-76 are pending in this application. Claims 1-33 have been canceled.

It is noted that in the First Preliminary Amendment submitted on April 1, 2005, that Applicant unintentionally omitted the language canceling claims 1-33 from the "Amendments to the Claims" section of that First Preliminary Amendment. The cancellation of claims 1-33, however, was noted in the "Remarks" section of the First Preliminary Amendment.

Therefore, in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements requiring the submission of an additional claim fee in the amount of \$2910, Applicant respectfully submit that such fee is not required as claims 1-33 were, in effect, cancelled on April 1, 2005, and that the claims present in this application on April 1, 2005 were claims 34-76, for which the appropriate additional claims fees in the amount of \$1,550.00 were paid on April 1, 2005.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Terrell C. Birch (Reg. No. 19,382) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted

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